IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel without prejudice claims 1-52 and add the following claims:

1   53.   A method for positioning an adjustable image relative to a cutout region within a
2   foreground image, comprising:
3   identifying a zone of interest in said adjustable image; and
4   determining effective translation and scaling parameters so that upon translating and
5   scaling said adjustable image accordingly a significant portion of said zone of interest appears
6   within said cutout region without changing the aspect ratio of the adjustable image.

1   54.   A method according to claim 53 and wherein said significant portion of said zone of
2   interest is as much relative area of said zone of interest as possible, but constrained so that
3   said cutout region remain entirely within the extent of said adjustable image.

1   55.   A method according to claim 53 and wherein said identifying is carried out manually.

1   56.   A method according to claim 53 and wherein said identifying is carried out automatically.

1   57.   A method according to claim 53 wherein said identifying is based on information as
2   to how said adjustable image was positioned within a previous cutout region.

1   58.   A system for positioning an adjustable image relative to a cutout region within a
2   foreground image, comprising:
3   a zone of interest in said adjustable image; and
4   an image transform generator, determining effective translation and scaling
5   parameters so that upon translating and scaling said adjustable image accordingly a significant
6   portion of said zone of interest appears within said cutout region without changing the aspect
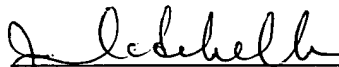7   ratio of the adjustable image.

1 59.   A system according to claim 58 and wherein said significant portion of said zone of

2 interest is as much relative area of said zone of interest as possible, but constrained so that

3 said cutout region remain entirely within the extent of said adjustable image.

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1 60.   A system according to claim 58 wherein said editable image was positioned relative to

2 a previous cutout region, and wherein said zone of interest is determined from the portion of

3 said editable image that was contained within said previous cutout region

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